

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATEWIDE PLANNING PROGRAM**

**State Guide Plan Element 640:
State of Rhode Island Airport System Plan**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Statewide Planning Program, pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-11-10 and R.I.G.L. 42-35-3, is considering adoption of a new State Guide Plan Element 640: *State of Rhode Island Airport System Plan*. If adopted, the present version of State Guide Plan Element 640, dated March 1984 as amended, shall be repealed.

The proposed State Guide Plan Element 640, referred to within as Element 640, represents the Rhode Island Airport Corporation's plan for the state airport system through the year 2021. The plan is applicable to facilities at Block Island (BID), Newport – Robert F. Wood (UUU), North Central (SFZ), Quonset (OQU), T.F. Green (PVD) and Westerly (WST). It inventories existing facilities; reports on recent aviation trends and future demand forecasts; examines facility performance; assesses facility needs; establishes State goals, policies, objectives, and strategies for the development and management of the State's airports; and concludes with recommended facility and service improvements for each facility. Proposed Element 640 does not recommend, support or endorse specific runway extension alternatives at T.F. Green (PVD). Rather, it defers to the Federal Aviation Administration's ongoing Environmental Impact Statement process for the selection of preferred improvement alternatives at T.F. Green (PVD).


Proposed Element 640 is available for public review at the office of the Statewide Planning Program. A copy may be obtained from that office, or may be viewed online at www.planning.ri.gov/transportation or www.pvdairport.com. Notice is hereby given in accordance with R.I.G.L. 42-35-3 as amended that an informational presentation and public hearing on the proposed adoption will be held:

**Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at 6:00 PM
Warwick City Hall, Council Chambers
3275 Post Road
Warwick, Rhode Island**

All interested persons will be heard at this time and place. Oral comments should be limited to five minutes each. All written comments must be submitted to the Chief of the Statewide Planning Program prior to the close of the hearing on May 4, 2011.

The Council Chambers at the Warwick City Hall is handicapped accessible. Interpreter services for the hearing impaired will be made available, provided that a request for such services is made to the Chief of the Statewide Planning Program, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing date.

Signed this 28th day of March, 2011


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